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STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
COLOMBO, PONDICHERRY,
MADRAS, CALCUTTA,
ADEN, SUZ, PORT SAID,
MEDITERRANEAN AND
BLACK SEA PORTS, ALEXANDRIA,
MARSEILLES, AND PORTS
OF BRAZIL, AND LA PLATA;
ALSO
LONDON, HAVRE AND BORDEAUX.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 16th December,
1891, at Noon, the Company's
Steamship *SALAZAR*, Commandant PAUL
with MALES, PASSENGERS, SPECIE,
and CARGO, will leave this Port for the
above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for
London as well as for Marseilles, and ac-
cepted in transit through Marseilles for the
principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till
Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4
p.m. Specie and Parcels until 5 p.m. on the
15th December, 1891. (Parcels are not
to be sent on board; they must be left at
the Agents' Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are re-
quired.

For further particulars, apply at the
Company's Office.

G. de CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, December 2, 1891. 2243

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA
OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND THROUGH
AT YOKOHAMA AND SAN
FRANCISCO.

PURPOSED SAILING FROM HONGKONG.
City of Rio de Janeiro, SATURDAY, Dec. 13.
China, TUESDAY, Jan. 12/92.
City of Peking, THURSDAY, Feb. 4/92.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship CITY OF
RIO DE JANEIRO will be de-
parted for SAN FRANCISCO, via
YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on
SATURDAY, the 14th December, at 1
p.m., taking Passengers and Freight for
Japan, the United States, and Europe.

RATES OF PASSAGE.

From HONGKONG, FIRST CLASS.

To San Francisco, Vancouver,
Victoria, Esquimaux, New
Westminster, Port Town, Seattle, Tacoma, Port-
land, O. \$325.00

To Liverpool and London \$325.00

To Paris and Bremen \$341.00

To Havre and Hamburg \$335.00

Through Passage Tickets granted to
England, France, and Germany by all
trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to
Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services,
to European officials in service of China
and Japan, and to Government officials.

Passengers by this line have the option of
proceeding Overland by the Southern
Pacific and connecting Lines, Central Pacific,
Northern Pacific or Canadian Pacific
Railways.

Return Tickets.—First Class.—Prepaid
return tickets to San Francisco will be
issued at following rates:—

4 months \$337.50

12 \$393.75

Time is reckoned from date of issue to
date of re-embarkation at San Francisco.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-
-embarking at San Francisco for China or
Japan (or vice versa) within one year will be
allowed a discount of 10% from Return
Fare. This allowance does not apply to
through fares from China and Japan to
Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for trans-
-portation to Yokohama and other Japan
Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and
Inland Cities, and to Germany by all
Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad,
and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico,
Central and South America, by the Com-
-pany's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4
p.m. the day previous to sailing. Parcel
Packages will be received at the office until
5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages
should be marked to address in full; value
of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo
destined to ports beyond San Francisco,
in the United States, should be sent to the
Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes,
addressed to the Collector of Customs at San
Francisco.

For further information as to Passage
and Freight, apply to the Agents of the
Company, No. 72, Queen's Road Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent.

Hongkong, November 25, 1891. 1201

NORDEUTSCHER LOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN,
SUZ, PORT SAID,
BRINDISI, GENOA,
ANTWERP, BREMEN & HAMBURG
PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK
SEA & BALTIC PORTS;

ALSO
LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON,
BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS,
GALVESTON & SOUTH AMERICAN
PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL
AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS
AND LOGGERS.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills
of Lading for the principal places in
RUSSIA.

ON SATURDAY, the 19th day of Decem-
-ber, 1891, at 3 p.m., the Company's
S.S. *PRUSSIAN*, Capt. W. RIMMERT,
with MALES, PASSENGERS, SPECIE,
and CARGO, will leave this Port as above,
collier at Genoa.

Shipping Orders will be granted till 5
p.m. on the 18th December. Cargo will be
received on board until 1 p.m., Specie
and Parcels until 10 a.m. on the 19th
December. (Parcels are not to be sent on
board; they must be left at the Agents' Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are re-
quired.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation
and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.

For further particulars, apply to
MEICHERS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, November 25, 1891. 2185

Entertainments.

St. ANDREW'S HALL,
CITY HALL.

TUESDAY,
DECEMBER 15th.

A GRAND
CONCERT

Will be given by
THE CELEBRATED GERMAN
PIANO-VIRTUOSO
Herr Albert
Friedenthal.

Doors open at 8.30 p.m.
To commence at 9.00 "

Reserved Seats \$2.00.
Back Seats (in last 3 rows) \$1.00.

The Box Plan at KELLY & WATSON,
LIMITED.

Hongkong, December 8, 1891. 2283

AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB.

XMAS PANTOMIME
BEAUTY AND THE BEAST.

EVENING PERFORMANCES—
December 26th, 28th, 30th; January
5th, 9th, 12th and 16th. 7.9 p.m.

AFTERNOON PERFORMANCE
January 2nd, at 3 p.m.

Prices of Admission:
Season Tickets, \$9 each (available for
evening performances only).
Ordinary Tickets, \$2.

Afternoon Performances, \$1.
Unreserved Seats, \$1, obtainable at the
Theatres only.

Half-price each evening, at 10 p.m., to
Sailors and Dress Circle.

Tickets can be obtained at Messrs. LAPE-
-ROFF & Co., as follows:
The Saturday at 11 a.m., Dec. 12th.
Season Tickets at 11 a.m., Dec. 15th.

Ordinary Tickets at 11 a.m., Dec. 15th.

LATE CARS will Run each Night to the
Peak.
Hongkong, December 7, 1891. 2274

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor
Owners will be Responsible for
any Debt contracted by the Officers or
Crew of the following Vessels, during
their stay in Hongkong Harbour—

AKON, Norwegian barque, Capt. A. Christen-
-sen—Kong Wing Tai.

G. H. WARREN, British barque, Captain
P. Hanson—Chinese.

SPINAWAY, British barquentine, Captain
James Garrick—Stimson & Co.

To-day's Advertisements.

THE LABUK PLANTING COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Second Ordinary General MEET-
-ING of the above Company will be
held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, on MON-
-DAY, the 21st Instant, at 3 p.m., for the
presentation of the Report of the General
Managers and Accounts to 30th September
last, and the transaction of any other busi-
-ness that can competently be brought before
an Ordinary General Meeting.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from 19th to 21st Instant,
both days inclusive.

TURNER & Co.,
General Managers,
THE LABUK PLANTING Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, December 12, 1891. 2308

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO,
ADEN, ISMAILIA, PORT SAID,
MALTA, GIBRALTAR, MARSEILLES,
BRINDISI, TRIESTE, VENICE,
PLYMOUTH AND LONDON;
ALSO
BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA
AND AUSTRALIA.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills
of Lading for BATAVIA, PERSIAN
GULF PORTS, MARSEILLES,
TRIESTE, HAMBURG, NEW YORK
AND BOSTON.

SPECIE ONLY LANDED AT PLYMOUTH.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship
PEKIN, Captain P. HARRIS, with Her
Majesty's Mail, will be despatched from
this Port for LONDON, via BOMBAY AND SUZ,
CANAL, on THURSDAY, 24th December,
at Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4
p.m. Parcels and Specie (Gold) at the Office
until 4 p.m. on the day before sailing.
Silk and Valuables for Europe will be
transhipped at Colombo; General Cargo
for London will be conveyed direct Bombay
without transshipment, arriving one week
later than by the ordinary direct route via
Colombo. Tea will be sent either direct
Bombay or Colombo according to arrangement.

For further Particulars regarding
FREIGHT and PASSAGE, apply to the
PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVI-
-GATION COMPANY'S Office, Hongkong.

The Contents and Value of Packages are
required to be declared prior to shipment.

Shippers are particularly requested to
note the terms and conditions of the Com-
-pany's Black Bills of Lading.

Passengers desirous of insuring their bag-
-gage can do so on application to the Com-
-pany's Office.

This Steamer takes Cargo and Passengers
for MARSEILLES.

E. A. HEWITT,
For Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, December 12, 1891. 2307

To-day's Advertisements.

HONGKONG HIGH LEVEL TRAM-
WAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that, the Pro-
-visions of Article 29 of the Company's
Articles of Association not having been
complied with as regards the necessary
Notice convening the Meeting, the EXTRA-
-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above
Company, advertised for the 14th day of
DECEMBER INSTANT, will NOT TAKE
PLACE.

DUE NOTICE will be given to all at-
-tending a Meeting for the purpose of con-
-sidering Resolutions as to altering the
Articles of Association upon the necessary
formalities as to a requisition having been
complied with.

McEWEEN, FRICKEL & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, December 12, 1891. 2309

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHEOW.

The Co.'s Steamship
Nana, Capt. GODDARD, will be
despatched for the above
Ports on TUESDAY, the 15th Instant, at
Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LARRAIE & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, December 12, 1891. 2303

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE
ITALIANA
(FLORENCE & RUBATINO UNITED COMPANIES.)

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, PENANG & BOMBAY.

Having contracted with the Company's Mail
Steamers to ADEN, SUZ, PORT SAID,
MESSINA, NAPLES, (LEGHORN),
GENOA, and all MEDITERRANEAN
ADRIATIC, LEVANTINE and SOUTH AMERI-
-CAN PORTS, up to CALLATA, and thence
at through rates to PERSIAN GULF
and BAGDAD.

The Co.'s Steamship
Bisagno, Capt. L. RACERINI, Master,
will be despatched for the
above on TUESDAY, the 15th December,
at Noon.

At Bombay the Steamers are discharging
in VICTORIA DOCK.

For further Particulars regarding Freight
and Passage, apply to
CARLOWITZ & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, December 12, 1891. 2223

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.

The Steamship
Japan, Capt. J. G. CHERRY, will
be despatched for the
above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 16th
Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, December 12, 1891. 2304

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s
Steamship
Tauranga, Captain E. CREWS, will
have quick despatch for Amoy, Port
after her arrival here with the outward
Mail.

E. A. HEWITT,
For Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, December 12, 1891. 2305

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGA-
-SAKI AND ORE.

(Passing through the INLAND SEA.)

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s
Steamship
Captain W. D. MUIR, will leave for the
above places on FRI-
-DAY, the 25th Instant, at Noon.

E. A. HEWITT,
For Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, December 12, 1891. 2306

DAKIN BROS. OF CHINA,
LIMITED.

CHEMISTS, &c.

CONFECTIONERY:

CHOCOLATES.

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PASTILLES.

BEST QUALITY OBTAINABLE.

22 & 24, QUEEN'S ROAD

CENTRAL. 2232

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

December 12, 1891.—

Tosman, Chinese steamer, from Whampoa.

Hiroshima Maru, Japanese str., 2,005.

Gen. H. Pryor, Ketch December 6, General
and Gen. R. STEVENSON & Co.

Hongkong, British steamer, 1,122, H. C. A.
Harris, Foochow December 8, Amoy 9,
and Swatow 11, General.—DOUGLAS STEAM-
SHIP CO.

Dora Foster, British steamer, 1,070, D.
Morgan, Kutchinietza December 7, Coal—
MRS. BURNETT KAPLAN.

N. S. de Loreto, Spanish steamer, 638,
Coronel Luzarraga, Manila December 9,
General.—BAY MOT & Co.

Sheward O'Brien, British steamer, 876, O.
C. Madge, Singapore December 8, Sub-
marine Cable.—E. A. & C. T. Co.

Business Notices.

Balls, Concerts & Evening Parties.

EVENING DRESS MATERIALS.

NEW GLOVES. NEW FANS. NEW FLOWERS.

NEW HOSIERY. NEW SHOES. NEW CORSETS.

PRACICAL DRESSMAKERS AND MILLINERS.

Evening Kid & Suede Gloves.

14 Button length \$1.75 2 Pair for \$3.00.

16 do. 2.25 do. 4.00.

20 do. 2.75 do. 5.00.

THE LARGEST STOCK IN THE EAST.

HONGKONG TRADING Co., Ltd.,
4, QUEEN'S ROAD & DUNDRELL STREET.

Vessels Advertised as Loading.

Destination. Vessels. Agents. Date of Leaving.

Bombay & Ports of Cal. Preussen (s) Norddeutscher Lloyd, Dec. 19, at 3 p.m.

H'we, L'oa, H'ig & A. Hamorganshire (s) Dec. 24, at 2 p.m.

Hongkong & Ports of Cal. Yamashiro Maru (s) Dec. 27, at 2 p.m.

Hongkong & Ports of Cal. Peking (s) Dec. 27, at 2 p.m.

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THE KORAT RAILWAY.
The Straits Times of 1st inst. says:—Yesterday, the Siam Government accepted Mr. Murray Campbell's tender to build the Korat Railway. It is gratifying to know that the Siam Government has had the propriety to thus terminate a situation which has become disagreeable, and which might have become somewhat creditable to Siam. It may be remembered that, some time ago, the Siam Government invited tenders for the building of about a hundred and twenty miles of railway, and that certain German contractors took a very great deal of trouble to make estimates and the like. No London contractor interested himself in the matter; but Mr. Murray Campbell, who is favourably known in the

Straits for his work on the railways of the Malay Peninsula, lodged a tender, which was the only one to be accepted. These tenders were publicly opened about six weeks ago by the German engineer who is head of the Siam Railway Department; and when it was discovered that the Englishman's tender was very much less than the German tender, there was immediately a somewhat disagreeable scene. Since then, the Bangkok newspapers have been full of the matter; a libel action on behalf of the Siam Government Director of Railways has been carried through the German Consul's court; and a Bangkok newspaper, subject to German law, has been born again as a newspaper subject to English law. The ambassadors, it is believed, have interested themselves, although

with reasonable discretion, in the railway matter; and, generally, there has been much fuss that if the Siam Government had in the end shown unfairness or any distinct partiality for the German tenders, then the Siam Government might have been seriously injured in the financial world. Fortunately the Siam Government has escaped the risk. With no more delay than is reasonably necessary for a complete examination of the estimates and for a due enquiry into the completeness of the estimates the Siam Government has given the contract to the Singapore contractor. That Mr. Murray Campbell, supported by Messrs. Jardine Matheson and Co., will carry out his contract satisfactorily there need be no question. That he will make a satisfactory profit is, of course, more doubtful.

£2,500 a mill is not a big price for railway construction, and although it probably gives a fair working margin it does not give a great one. To put it in figures, if Mr. Campbell's tender was accepted, the Siam Government would have to pay a profit of fifty or sixty thousand pounds on the job. If he were to fail in energy, or discretion, or in luck, he might readily make nothing at all, possibly, might lose. To put it broadly, he and his friends would have to make a profit of fifty or sixty thousand pounds, which he might have added to his tender, while still remaining fair below the German offer. On the other hand, the Siam Government are lucky in obtaining at a very low price the services of an excellent and strongly supported contractor.

SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

Hongkong, Saturday, Noon, 12th December, 1891.

STOCKS.	Capital.	No. of Shares.	Paid up.	Reserve & Working Account.	Last Dividend and when paid.	Closing Quotations.
Banks.						
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	£ 10,000,000	80,000	£ 125	£ 6,300,000	30/- for 1st year ending 30/6/91, Aug. 24, 91	169 7/8 prem., buyers
Bank of China, Japan & Straits	£ 1,000,000	80,000	£ 25	£ 100,000	4/- per share, Feb. 14, 91	113 1/2
Do. New Issue (Ld.)	£ 1,000,000	100,000	£ 1	£ 2,111.15	—	113 1/2
Do. Founders	—	1,260	£ 1	—	28, February 14, 91	—
National Bank of China, Ltd.	£ 1,000,000	100,000	£ 2	£ 2,111.15	First year	—
Do. Do. (Founders)	—	1,260	£ 1	—	—	—
Marine Insurance.						
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited	£ 2,500,000	10,000	£ 25	£ 800,000	26 per cent. for 1890, Oct. 12, 91	£92, sellers
China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd.	£ 2,000,000	24,000	£ 25	£ 700,000	18 per cent. for year ending 31/4/90, Sept. 18, 91	£81, sales and buyers
North China Insurance Co., Ltd.	£ 1,000,000	5,000	£ 50	£ 320,000	10 per cent. for 1889	11s. 2d.
Yangtze Insur. Association, Ltd.	£ 800,000	8,000	£ 100	£ 455,131.46	£6 per share for 1889, March 12, 90	11s. 7 1/2, buyers
Canton Insurance Office, Ltd.	£ 2,500,000	10,000	£ 50	£ 500,000	14 1/2 per cent. for 1890, Oct. 23, 91	£107, sales and buyers
Straits Insurance Co., Ltd.	£ 3,000,000	30,000	£ 20	£ 215,615.09	5 per cent. for year ending 31/12/90, July 4, 91	£13, sales
Fire Insurance.						
Hongkong Fire Insur. Co., Ltd.	£ 2,000,000	8,000	£ 50	£ 1,060,000	£18 per share for 1889, March 9, 91	£322 1/2, buyers
China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	£ 2,000,000	20,000	£ 20	£ 748,500	30 per cent. for 1889, Feb. 28, 91	£91, sales and sellers
Straits Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	£ 2,000,000	20,000	£ 20	£ 231,876.04	8 1/2 per cent. for 1889, March 27, 91	£16 1/2, buyers
Singapore Insurance Co., Ltd.	£ 3,000,000	30,000	£ 20	£ 37,882.78	—	£11, sellers
Shipping.						
Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Limited	£ 1,600,000	80,000	£ 20	£ 85,000	4 per cent. for 1st year ending 30/6/91, Aug. 1, 91	£34 1/2, sales
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Limited	£ 1,200,000	60,000	£ 10	£ 882.67	2 1/2 per cent. for 1890, June 1, 91	25 1/2 discount, sellers
China & Manila S. S. Co., Ltd.	£ 250,000	5,000	£ 50	£ 26,000	—	£45
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	£ 1,000,000	20,000	£ 50	£ 40,731.90	6 per cent. for year ending 30/6/91, Sept. 28, 91	£39, sales and buyers
China Shippers Mutual S. S. Co.	£ 242,300	12,115	£ 15	£ 85,000	Int. div. of 2 per cent. for 6 months to 30/6/91, Oct. 14 and 24, 1891	£15, sellers
Do. Do. new issue	£ 120,000	6,000	£ 11	£ 2,384.17	—	£41, sellers
Steam Launch Company, Ltd.	£ 100,000	2,000	£ 30	£ 1,278.08	3 per cent. for 1st year ending 30/6/91, Sept. 1, 91	£30, sellers
Refineries.						
China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	£ 1,500,000	15,000	£ 100	£ 1,840.46	Int. div. £8 per share, Aug. 28, 91	£176, sales
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	£ 700,000	7,000	£ 100	£ 2,941.29	£8 per share for 1890, March 28, 91	£58, sellers
Mining.						
Panjoon Dun Samatun Mining Co., Ltd.	£ 600,000	60,000	£ 10	£ 319,362.31	—	£2, sales and buyers
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	Fr. 4,000,000	8,000	Fr. 500	Fr. 285,815.15	—	£280, buyers
Selama Tin Mining Company, Limited	£ 575,000	115,000	£ 5	£ 2,000,000	—	40 cents, sellers
Imuria Mines, Limited	£ 200,000	200,000	£ 1	£ 180,000	—	£1, sellers
Balmoral Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	£ 180,000	18,000	£ 10	£ 17,076	7 per cent. for year ending 5/8/91, Oct. 16, 91	£4 1/2, buyers
Jelebu Mining & Trading Co., Ltd.	£ 225,000	45,000	£ 5	£ 4,705	—	60 cents, sellers
Ramp Australian Syndicate, Ltd.	£ 1,000,000	1,000,000	£ 18 1/2	£ 212,449.12	—	30 1/2 dis., sellers
Société Française des Houillères de Touraine	Fr. 4,000,000	4,000	Fr. 100	Fr. 568,698.47	—	81 1/2 prem., sales and sellers
Docks, Wharves & Godowns, Hongkong & Whampoa, Ltd.	£ 1,662,500	12,500	£ 125	£ 2,665.68	7 per cent. 1st year ending, Aug. 25, 91	£64, sales and sellers
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Limited	£ 1,000,000	20,000	£ 50	£ 2,585.92	Int. div. 4 per cent., August 4, 91	par, nominal
Wanchai Warehouse & Storage Co., Limited	£ 260,000	2,600	£ 37 1/2	£ 1,250,000	Int. div. £2 per share, August 1, 91	£73, sellers
Land, Hotels & Building.						
Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Company, Ltd.	£ 5,000,000	50,000	£ 50	£ 851.64	—	£10, sellers
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Ltd.	£ 300,000	6,000	£ 30	£ 1,846.56	—	£25, sellers
West Point Building Co., Ltd.	£ 625,000	12,500	£ 4 1/2	£ 82.97	Int. div. 60 cents, July 20, 91	£50, sellers
Hongkong Hotel Co., Limited	£ 300,000	6,000	£ 50	£ 2,661.53	4 per cent. for 1st year ending 30/6/91, Sept. 7, 91	£8, sellers
Do. Do. New Issue	£ 300,000	6,000	£ 40	£ 45,787.43	—	In liquidation
Austin Arms Hotel & Building Company, Limited	£ 200,000	4,000	£ 50	£ 4,323.64	—	£200, buyers
Peak Hotel & Trading Co., Ltd.	£ 200,000	4,000	£ 50	£ 20.90	14 per cent. for 1890 April 17, 91	£10, sellers
Humphreys Estate & Finance Company, Ltd.	£ 100,000	1,000	£ 100	£ 3,243.65	—	£10, sellers
Do. New Issue	£ 180,000	1,800	£ 100	£ 140,000	Int. Div., 7 per cent. for 1891, Nov. 5, 91	£18 1/2, buyers
Miscellaneous.						
Green Island Cement Company Limited	£ 1,000,000	20,000	£ 50	£ 565,173.79	—	par nominal
China-Borneo Co., Ltd., in liq.	£ 750,000	7,500	£ 55	£ 63,468.91	Int. div., £2 per share, Sept. 9, 91	£40, sellers
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	£ 500,000	50,000	£ 10	£ 1,472.50	—	£5, sellers
Hongkong Trading Co., Ltd.	£ 400,000	4,000	£ 5	£ 88,979.79	—	£4, sellers
H. G. Brown & Co., Limited	£ 300,000	6,000	£ 50	£ 432,427.22	—	£120, nominal
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	£ 300,000	30,000	£ 8	£ 1,334.14	10 per cent. for 1890, and 2 1/2 per cent. bonus, April 9, 91	£109
Labak Planting Co., Ltd.	£ 250,000	5,000	£ 50	£ 6,110.97	—	£15, sales
Hongkong & China Indemnity Co., Ltd.	£ 60,000	6,000	£ 10	£ 3,600.70	—	£80, sellers
Do. Co., Limited (new)	£ 20,000	2,000	£ 7 1/2	£ 508.78	—	£65, sales and sellers
H.K. Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	£ 160,000	3,000	£ 50	£ 214.50	—	£10, sellers
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited	£ 150,000	6,000	£ 25	£ 333.58	—	£7, sellers
Hongkong Ice Co., Limited	£ 125,000	5,000	£ 25	£ 34,114.18	—	£70, sellers
Hongkong High-Level Tramways Company, Limited	£ 125,000	1,250	£ 100	£ 798.97	—	£6, sellers
Hongkong Brick and Cement Company, Limited	£ 100,000	4,000	£ 21 1/2	£ 848.61	—	—
Dairy Farm Co., Limited	£ 100,000	10,000	£ 10	—	—	—
Croftsbank & Co., Limited	£ 80,000	1,800	£ 50	—	—	—
H.K. & China Bakery Co., Ltd.	£ 80,000	800	£ 50	—	—	—
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	£ 12,000	1,200	£ 10	—	—	—

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Chinese Imperial Govt. 5% Silver Loan 1884	H.K. & Shanghai Banking Co.	£1,594,700 Hongkong Currency.	£500 H.K. Currency.	870	16 Oct. each year until 1892	£507 1/2, buyers
Chinese Imperial Govt. 7% Silver Loan 1890	Do.	Shanghai Tls. 787,200.	Shanghai Tls. 250.	2,916	31st Mar. and 30th Sept. each year until 31st Mar. 1917.	Tls. 275, buyers
Debentures.						
H.K. Hotel Co. 5% Mortgage Debentures 1889	Do.	£400,000	£500	600	Half yearly, on 19th April and 19th October.	par sellers
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co. 5% Debentures of 1891	Do.	£100,000	£250	2,000	Half yearly, on 1st April and 1st October.	£280, buyers
China Merchants S. S. Co. 7% Mortgage Debentures	Do.	£2300,000	£100	1,360	Quarterly up to 1st Sept., 95	£101

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THE DOCTORS SHOOK THEIR HEADS.

"I would give a million dollars for a stomach," said a wealthy American recently. Now, a million dollars (£200,000) is a deal of money, but he was not able to buy the article even at that price.

Mr. Thomas Gaskin, of No. 8, Poplar Row, Darby Abbey, near Derby, is not so rich as many, being a gardener, but he was ready enough to give all he had for one thing he hadn't got. Here is his story, and he shall tell it in his own way. Mr. Gaskin goes on to say: "Up to eight years ago I had never lost an hour's work through indigestion. In December, 1882, while living at Beeston, near Nottingham, my appetite fell away, I had dreadful pain after eating, a bad taste in my mouth, which would fill with water and slime, the latter so thick and sticky that I often had to remove it with my fingers. My chest used to 'fill up' and my throat would swell so I couldn't button my shirt at the neck. I vomited a great deal, chiefly a yellowish-green phlegm. I had a racing cough, and would cough and strain till I lied at the knee, and the blood rushed out of my ears. I became exhausted and short of breath and had to call the doctor, and was in bed five or six weeks.

"I then went as out-patient to the Nottingham Hospital, and after attending there for six months was very little better. I got so thin that I was like a ghost walking about, and friends said it was all up with me. For eighteen months I kept getting better, then worse, and at last the doctors recommended me to try a change of air. So I came to Darby Abbey and my former master gave me an indoor recommendation to the Derbyshire Infirmary, Derby. I found, however, that all the beds in the hospital were full, and I saw my club doctor and two other doctors at Derby. The first one said, 'You are a good-looking consumption, and must die; the other doctor, after sending my lungs and chest, said nothing, but shook their heads.'

"Getting a trifle better my old master allowed me to do what little I could in his garden and grounds; and some days I worked a little, and some days I was idle for a few days. This went on like this until December, 1888, when I caught cold, got very short of breath, and broke down completely. I was always coughing and spitting up phlegm, sometimes as much as at a cough at once, and was afraid to go to sleep for fear the phlegm would choke me. At this time the whites of my eyes turned yellow, and my eyes were bloodshot. My lips and mouth were dry and parched and I often broke out into a cold clammy sweat. My tongue was like a piece of brown leather, and I could keep nothing down. I lost over a stone weight in three weeks.

"I managed to get up for a few hours at a time, but was so weak I had to take hold of the furniture to move a few yards. I was always tired and weary, and sitting or lying, was never at ease and got no real rest. Too weak to read I often sat for hours looking at my hands—nothing but skin and bone—and was so nervous I couldn't bear the least noise, and the children at play quite upset me.

"The doctor kept on attending me, but said, 'I can do you no good; I can only patch you up, because your lungs are diseased.' I then gave over taking his medicine and tried everything I could hear of. One thing was a cure from London that cost £22 a bottle. But nothing did any good, and my friends who came to see me said, 'Well, you won't cough much longer, you have merely to prepare for another world.'

"About the middle of March, 1889, a neighbor named Joseph Tatham, who works in the paper mills at Darby Abbey, said to me, 'Tom, did you ever try Mother Seigel's Syrup?' and told me how he had been cured after being in the hospital. He spoke so much in praise of this medicine I sent my Syrup had saved my life. Mother Seigel's Syrup had saved my life and I commenced work at once, and have never lost a day's work since.

"Of course my strength did not return all at once, but after taking Seigel's Syrup six months I was strong as ever in my life and have continued so ever since.

"In giving his consent to the publication of this remarkable statement, Mr. Gaskin requests us to refer all doubters to Mr. Kebley, Head Gardener, Darby Abbey, who is acquainted with all the facts alleged. Mr. Gaskin has lived at Darby Abbey 22 years and bears an excellent reputation.

Now, what was the complaint from which he suffered? Not galloping consumption, certainly (as one of the doctors thought), or he would have galloped into his grave in less than three months; instead of growing worse for seven years. His complaint was chronic indigestion, dyspepsia (or chronic gastric catarrh), which has long symptoms like consumption, for which it is so often ignorantly mistaken and wrongly treated. When the right remedy, Mother Seigel's Syrup, was used the disease yielded, as all diseases of the digestive tract do yield to that magnificent preparation. We heartily congratulate Mr. Gaskin on his recovery, and commend the facts of his case to all thinking people.

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